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Sir:

- 1. Transmitted herewith are the following:
 - An Amendment
 - A Notice of Appeal and Petition for Extension of Time.
 - A Sequence Listing, diskette and matching declaration.
- 2. **Entity Status**
 - Large Entity status is proper for this case.
- 3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:

An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if necessary for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures.

4. **Provisional Fee Authorization**

Please charge any underpayment in fees for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted.

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